

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
CITY OF LINCOLN
MINUTES MARCH 1, 2017 MEETING

Attendees: Alex Floyd, Paul Harrison, James Haufler, Tim Monelo, Richard Moore, Roger Ueltzen & Kelly Velasco

Absent: Jim Datzman, Dan Gilliam & Gabe Hydrick

Guests: Byron Chapman

Motion for Minutes Approval: Minutes from December 7, 2016, motion by James Haufler, Alex Floyd 2nd.

ITEMS DISCUSSED AND ACTION NOTED:

6: ACTION ITEMS

A: New Committee Officers: Motion for Richard Moore as Chair, Tim Monelo, second by James Haufler, all in favor. Motion for Kelly Velasco as Vice Chair, Roger Ueltzen, second by Tim Monelo, all in favor.

B: 2017 P&R Goals: Motion to except, pending the removal of the reference to the Mel Ewing interpretive park proposal (restated goals attached) James Haufler, second by Paul Harrison, all in favor.

C: Master Fees:

- **McBean Stadium Rental Fees:** Stadium will be rented for baseball events only. Motion for approval, Tim Monelo, second by Roger Ueltzen, all in favor.
- **Jimenez Tennis Courts** discussion was tabled for additional study
- **Park Space Rentals** the proposed rental fees for daily use of the shade structures at Nathan Dubin Park, Palo Verde Park, Markham Ravine Park and the Band Stand at McBean Park. Motion for approval, James Haufler, second by Tim Monelo, all in favor.

D: New Recreation Position: The Rec Department has done a great job in increasing their cost recovery (was + \$92,914 in 2015/2016) through some cost cutting but primarily through the addition of new programs and events. Motion to recommend new Recreation Coordinator position to Council, Kelly Velasco, second by Paul Harrison, all in favor.

7: STAFF UPDATES:

A: Park & Rec Master Plan: (Jennifer Hanson) – the Parks & Rec Standards Matrix has been approved by the City Council and will now be used in discussions with developers in the planning of new parks. A City owned land map was requested by the Committee **ACTION: Jennifer Hanson** It was also requested that the City provide the address for City owned parks and the date the park opened **ACTION: Doug Brown**

B: Non-Smoking Ordinance: (Jennifer Hanson) – the non-smoking policy will now be included within a broader Parks Exclusion ordinance which will be brought before the City Council at their April workshop. **ACTION: Jennifer Hanson**

C: Field Sponsorship Program: (Doug Brown) – nothing to report on new sales – current Field Sponsorship banners will be rehung at Foskett over the next 2 weeks **ACTION: Doug Brown**
D: Foskett Improvement: (Scott Boynton) – procurement of dugout and spectator shade covers is underway with installation expected to be completed within 2 months and the procurement and installation of shade trees is underway with a target completion date before the hot summer weather arrives. **ACTION: Scott Boynton**

E: New Park Status: (Scott Boynton)

- Chief Jimenez Park – the final surface will be placed on the tennis courts once it stops raining and then they will be ready to go. **ACTION: Scott Boynton**
- Nathan Dubin Park – construction has been delayed by the rain with completion and the grand opening 3 to 4 months out. **ACTION: Scott Boynton**

8: COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

A: Parks Oversight Program (Roger Ueltzen) – the Committee has established a new Parks Oversight Program whereby each of the Committee members have agreed to keep an eye on (i.e., visit periodically) on assigned parks and report to staff any observed health or safety issues. **ACTION: P&R Committee** – see attached table

B: Trail Assessment Sub-committee Report (Jim Haufler, Tim Monelo & Kelly Velasco) – this sub-committee was established 3 months ago to assess Lincoln's trails. During this time they have walked all of Lincoln's trails and have found the vast majority of them to be in good shape. The sub-committee has drafted a summary report (copy attached) containing a summary of their observations and recommendations for City staff consideration. **ACTION: City Staff**

C: News Messenger Articles (Jim Datzman) – to be continued on a regular basis **ACTION: Jim Datzman**

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: Wednesday, June 7, 2017